

## RICHMOND READY TO GREET TAFT

Program Completed in Every Detail for President's Visit on Wednesday.

## BREAKFAST AT MANSION

Parade and Address at City Auditorium to Be Chief Public Events.

Details are being rapidly perfected for the reception to President William H. Taft on Wednesday, and the committee in charge has now little left to do except to carry out the program as fully approved.

The Committee on Reception of the President, made up of members from the City Council and Chamber of Commerce, together with Mayor D. C. Richardson and Governor C. A. Swanson, will meet the President at Byrd Street Station at 8 A. M. The President's car arrives on a train coming into Richmond before daylight, but in order to insure a night's rest for the party on board, it has been agreed that it will not be brought into the train shed until 8 o'clock, when the Reception Committee will be there to meet the nation's Chief Executive. The Governor and the Mayor will escort President Taft and his military aid, Captain A. W. Butt, in a motor-car directly to the Mansion, where Governor Swanson will entertain informally at breakfast, only a few invited guests being present.

**Breakfast at Jefferson.** Assistant Secretary Miescher and the other members of the presidential party, including a half-dozen newspaper correspondents who have accompanied the President on his sweeping around this circle, will be escorted by members of the Reception Committee under the leadership of Sergeant-at-Arms Ruskell, of the City Council, to the Jefferson Hotel, where breakfast will be served, the only party being considered as guests of the city of Richmond during their stay here.

Those breakfasting at the Jefferson with the local committee will be accompanied at 10 o'clock to the Governor's Mansion. While the President speaks to the Association of Correspondents of the Times-Dispatch and the members of the Virginia Press Association, assembled in the Hall of the House of Delegates, and later to a body of representatives of the city, the Corporation Commission courtroom, the military organizations of the city, with the cadets of the Virginia Military Institute, will be lined up in parade formation in Capitol Street, opposite the City Hall, to receive the President's motorcade. The automobiles of the presidential party being admitted to the Capitol Square. Members of the City Council and others entitled to seats in the waiting motor-cars have been notified to be in their places promptly at 10:30, as the parade will move at that hour, President Taft leaving the Capitol from the main front door, and entering a motor-car driven by W. F. Gordon, which will be his special car during his stay in Richmond.

**Street Parade.** In the parade up Grace to Fifth, thence to Franklin, and westward to Monument Avenue, the President's car will be preceded by a pilot car, which will be Chief of Police Werner, Business Manager Dabney, of the Chamber of Commerce, and Sergeant-at-Arms George C. Ruskell. On the wind shield of the Taft car will be draped a silk United States flag, and since this will be the only decorated car in line, it will be easily recognized. In the car with President Taft will be Governor Swanson, Mayor Richardson and Captain Butt, and the car will be preceded and followed by squads of mounted police. In the cars following will be the other members of the presidential party, members of the City Council of Richmond and in the rear, the City Band. Arriving at Monument Avenue and Meadow Street, the President's car will be halted, and from it he will review the parade. The inmates of R. E. Lee Camp Soldiers' Home will be drawn up on Monument Avenue near the Davis Monument, and it is hoped that the President may be induced to say a word of greeting from his car to the feeble old men. The military having been dismissed after the review, the presidential party will take a drive about the city, ending at the Jefferson Hotel in time for a brief rest before luncheon.

**Guests at Luncheon.** The President will enter the main dining hall in the Jefferson Hotel, in which the luncheon will be served, promptly at 1 o'clock, and the committee requests every invited guest to be at his place at that time. The luncheon will be for 250 people, and besides the presidential party and members of the City Council, will include a number of representative business men, the heads of the various commercial and civic bodies throughout the city, and the chiefs of the more important city departments, the judges of the courts and the presidents of the clubs.

The briefest toasts will be responded to by the Governor and the Mayor. After the luncheon, but there will be no attempt at speechmaking, as the time is short and it is necessary for all the guests to be on the platform at the City Auditorium at 3 o'clock, when the Governor presents the President for the address of the day in Richmond.

## At the Auditorium

Save for the platform the Auditorium will be open to the public without cards, and the doors will be opened at 2 o'clock. A band of music will be provided and the interior of the Auditorium has been tastefully decorated, the committee having expended in hunting originally put up and required new in its place. Immediately following the President's address, the reception committee will escort him in automobiles down Main Street to the Seaboard Air Line station, from which he will leave for Washington at 5:15 P. M.

## Charged With Trespass

William Walton, John Ganzert, A. T. Garrett and William Floyd, all white, were arrested yesterday afternoon on a charge of trespassing on the premises of Mrs. Mabel Loman and abusing her. It is claimed that one of the men caught her by the throat and knocked her head against the wall. William Banks and Ben Lewis, colored, were arrested on a charge of shooting craps in Hicks's livery stable.

## ACCA TEMPLE TO GIVE BIG CIRCUS

Three-Ring Stars Engaged. White Nobles Will Sell Tickets and Boost Concert.

## ONE WHOLE WEEK OF FUN

Unique Scheme Adopted by Shriners as Means of Building Home of Their Own.

Nobles of the Mystic Shrine are indeed men of mystery—people who do stunts and pull off unusual things of their own accord without the help or advice of the public. The public, though, is generally on hand for the fun when it can get there. Sometimes it pays, sometimes it does not. The time it will be a question of cash. Acca Temple is just now preparing to put on in this city the largest and most remarkable thing in the way of a circus that Richmond has ever seen. Be it understood, however, that while the performance will be practically owned by the temple for a week, none of the actors will be classed as "local talent." It is to be an all-star bunch drawn from the biggest three-ringed affairs on the road, which have now disbanded for the winter. In other words, it is a barnstorming aggregation of artists whose acts being too large for the stages, have together making a short winter tour of the larger cities where indoor facilities are to be had.

The performance here will take place in the Horse Show Building, January 3 to 10. All the money after the actors have been paid will go to the Shrine as the nucleus of a fund to build a handsome temple for the order, which has outgrown its present quarters.

## Circus of the Big Shows

The circus folk who will travel under the name of the Rhoda Royal Winter Circus, are now organizing in New York, and will soon be ready for the road. They come from all parts of the country, and are said to be the finest of all the big circuses throughout the United States. Unfortunately for some circus-lovers, there will be no menagerie, as the weather would not permit and the animals are not disturbed while in winter quarters, even hibernating to his fashion. A natural or artificial climate best suited to his nature. Aside from this feature, though, there will be every other thing to make it indeed "the biggest and best on earth." The people of Richmond may sit comfortably beneath the roof of the Horse Show Building, eating peanuts and popcorn and imagine that it is July Fourth or Labor Day, even if it is snowing outside. Meanwhile the actors who might otherwise be spending the summer months in idleness, are taking advantage of a good deal more than the cost of living. Incidentally old Ultimate Consumer, who "never did like a circus," but always goes, will cheerfully part with his long green and Acca will have a swell time.

Another feature which will not doubt develop some diversion will be that of sedate Nobles—all well-known business and professional men—acting in all capacities from the magnate with his secretary to the "fellow ahead" with the billposters. They have already been formed into a committee, each member of which is chairman of a subcommittee to look after the details. By virtue of his office of Potentate, Thomas B. McAdams will be chief man in the whole affair.

## Weather Man to Sidel

Chief Rabban Dr. George F. Bagby, who has been appointed chairman of the committee on arrangements, will assist in the many duties of the office. Assistant Rabban D. C. O'Flaherty is the man to consult for concessions. He will also have charge of the parades and see that the "grand free spectacle" comes off in the most comfortable style. On account of past performances, Samuel Cohen has been chosen for the megaphone and poster man, being put down on the list as chairman of the committee on publicity. "Get your ladies and gentlemen ready," performance begins in five minutes; you don't want to miss a single act," will come lustily from Second Ceremonial Master Edward A. Evans, appointed as chairman of the ladies and box office committee. In anything you want to know about the big show you must get from W. S. McCoy, who heads the committee on program and bureau of information. Henry M. Boykin will have charge of the various departments and many inducements in the way of reduced rates and coupon tickets to rural visitors.

Potentate McAdams, having named these committees after careful consideration of the various departments and the fitness of the chairman for their posts, will this afternoon call the chairman together to decide upon the details of the committees, and work will be started at once. It is expected that the circus will be engaged in other lines by way of earning a livelihood, have had but little experience in the circus business except such as has been gained at the doors of Acca Temple. The meeting will be held at 5 o'clock.

## Speaks on Infant Mortality

Richmond Academy of Medicine and Surgery will meet to-morrow night, at 8:30 o'clock in the rooms of the Travelers' Protective Association, corner of Third and Main Streets. Dr. Charles R. Robins will present a paper bearing on infant mortality, and the important subject of infant mortality will be discussed by Dr. St. George T. Grinnan.

## RAILROADS MADE RECORD IN HANDLING TAFT'S CAR

"When President Taft arrives in Richmond on Wednesday morning, after traveling continuously since September 15," said a passenger official yesterday, "the railroads of this country will have established a record, in that they made all trips on schedule time. The one exception was on the Mississippi River, with which the railroads had nothing to do. A year ago it was a standing joke in the South that passenger trains had no regard for the time table, and there was some cause for the complaints. But conditions today have changed. They have been rigid for some months, for the President, as you doubtless recall that Dr. J. H. Harvard, said here in Ma. a that after

## HELPS DETECTIVES FIND COKE DEALER

Washington Man Worked With Officers Who Caught Charles White Again.

## DID IT TO SAVE FRIEND

Had Cocaine Concealed in Ice Cream Freezer, Along With Every-Ready Envelopes.

Bent on saving his friend, Benjamin Bennett, a cocaine fiend, from an ignominious grave, H. L. Armstrong, of Washington, yesterday morning informed Captain McMahon, chief of detectives, that Bennett was buying dope from Charles White, a Seventeenth Street negro, and asked the aid of the police in his effort to save Bennett, with the result that White was last night arrested on a charge of selling cocaine, and Edward Fields, colored, arrested as a suspicious character, the allegation against him being that he acted as the go-between White and Armstrong, who was used by the detectives to purchase the drug.

## Arrested at Night

Sergeants Wren, Bailey and Wiley are the detectives who worked on the case. Their plan was to use Armstrong as a purchaser, to which Armstrong, who had seen White and believed that the negro was selling the dope to Bennett, agreed to do so.

According to the plan, Armstrong went to White early last night, and asked for a "sniff." White, he says, informed him that he had not had any cocaine for three or four weeks, but could put him on to a negro who could get the drug for him. That negro was Fields, to whom Armstrong gave a dollar given him by the detectives for the purpose, the agreement between the white man and the negro being that the latter should buy two packages of dope with 50 cents and keep half a dollar as a tip. Fields bought the drug, and declared to the detectives that he had purchased it from White. He handed it over to Armstrong, who then went to the Chesapeake and Ohio Viaduct. Sergeant Wiley was in the meanwhile searching for White, who he had just seen, and was informed that White had just been found the negro at the corner of Seventeenth and Broad Streets. He told White that he wanted him, and then arrested him for the dollar, but the astute negro's pockets were empty save for a little small change. White was visibly nervous. His heart thumped so that Sergeant Wiley informed him that he was not wanted for a banging offense.

## This Is the First Time You Ever Had Your Hands on Mr. Wiley

The trembling negro. "What I done now?"

## Dope in Ice Cream Freezer

He was taken to the First Station and detained there, while Sergeant Wren and Wiley went to search his house, 327-329 North Seventeenth Street. White's wife and another negro were at home. The latter began to remonstrate and refused to place under guard while the house was searched until he was threatened with arrest. While they were held by Sergeant Wren, Sergeant Wiley searched the ice house, and was almost ready to give up when he decided to look into two ice cream freezers in the washhouse in the rear. In one he found a half-filled bottle of cocaine, with the well-known trademark of C. F. Boninger, a local dealer, printed on it, and in the other a couple of dozen envelopes, in which cocaine was sold ready to be snuffed. White had not been informed of the existence of the freezers to the station of what he was suspected.

"Did you ever see this before?" asked Sergeant Wren, exhibiting the bottle of cocaine. White glanced at the bottle and shook his head. But Sergeant Bailey, who was standing by, pointed out the fact that the latter had bought two doses from White. White admitted to the fact, and stated that he had been playing "skin" from "before dark."

The police regard White as one of the biggest traffickers in cocaine in the city. He has been arrested time and again on a like charge and on coming up on appeal from the Police Court on November 15.

## Sent for His Friend

Armstrong, it is said, is a light-colored man, a physical freak, who has been used by White to Armstrong in Washington to come to see him, and Armstrong arrived last week, and soon learned the reason of his friend's complete downfall. He discovered that White was buying cocaine, and was with him Friday night, when Bennett bought a package from a negro and snuffed it on the spot. When Armstrong was informed of the police, so as to save his friend.

Armstrong and Bennett knew each other when they were in the United States Army, stationed at Fort Meyer, and it was because of the friendship that Armstrong came to Bennett at his call for help and determined to expose White to the police. Armstrong is a painter by trade, about twenty-five years of age, and has about twenty-four years of age, has no known occupation.

He is now staying at the new station at Washington.

## PASTOR CALLS ON 45,000 MEMBERS

Dr. Hutson Conducted 1,820 Funerals During His 37 Years at Pine Street Baptist.

## CELEBRATES ANNIVERSARY

Nearly Four Thousand Members Added to Rolls, Majority of Whom Were Baptized.

Rev. J. B. Hutson, D. D., pastor of Pine Street Baptist Church, celebrated yesterday his thirty-seventh anniversary with that congregation. Under his ministry it has grown from a struggling mission to the largest membership of any Protestant white church in the State, and with a Sunday school of 4,000, and in membership, it is said, to none in the South. Dr. Hutson preached yesterday morning from the text, "The Lord Will Provide," Genesis xxii, 14, and after his sermon made a brief historical statement in connection with the anniversary. He showed that during the thirty-seven years of his pastorate there had been added to the church 3,912 persons, of whom 2,210 were baptized. The present membership of the church is 1,840, the largest in its history. Dr. Hutson reported that during the course of his pastorate he had conducted 1,820 funerals and had paid about 45,000 pastoral visits. During the last year 171 persons have been added to the church. During the year a second addition has been made to the church, a modification of the Sunday school, costing about \$4,000. The Sunday school shows an average attendance of about 1,500, and is said to be the largest in the South.

## The Congregation of Pine Street Baptist Church

was first organized May 6, 1865, in a small brick building on Church Street, known as Bevelde Hall. Several years later the lot on Church Street was purchased, and under the pastorate of Rev. E. D. Coleman, then editor of the Religious Herald, a small chapel was erected, built, it is said, of timbers from the barracks erected at Camp Lee during the war for the negro troops guarding Richmond. It was to this building that Dr. Hutson came, and the present church building has been erected and paid for during his ministry.

## STATE PRESS ASSOCIATION

Virginia Newspaper Men Meet Here To-morrow.

Members of the Virginia State Press Association will assemble to-morrow morning in the music hall of Murphy's Hotel, and will be called to order by the president, Alfred B. Williams, of Richmond. Addresses of welcome to the visiting newspaper men will be made by Governor Swanson, Mayor Richardson and C. B. Cook. The meeting will be largely given up to informal discussion of topics relating to the interests of the association and the increase of membership. A luncheon will be tendered the visitors at the Westmoreland Club at 2 o'clock by the city of Richmond and the Chamber of Commerce, to be followed by a trolley ride to points of interest about the city. On Wednesday the Press Association will meet with the Virginia State Press Association, in session here this week, in the hall of the House of Delegates in the State Capitol, to hear an address from President William H. Taft, who will at that time speak only to newspaper men and their representatives. 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